

First Presbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day
October 15, 2023
Ordinary Time

8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

Welcome to worship

* * * *As a courtesy to others, please silence cell phones.* * * *

Gathering

Prelude Aria Paul Manz

Greeting and Welcome

Please sign the Opportunity for Friendship register and pass it to the person next to you.

Minute for Mission

Dan Wentz

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

(8:30 a.m.) Jane Hallman
(11:00 a.m.) Chris Boswell

Rejoice in the Lord always!

All thanks and praise to God!

Do not worry about anything.

We trust in God who provides for us.

Let the peace of God settle among you.

We will share God's peace with all.

Let us worship the Lord.

◆ **Hymn 401** Here in This Place GATHER US IN

Call to Reconciliation

Let us confess our brokenness, for God is merciful and just and will forgive us our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you are the Lord our God, who brought us out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

And yet our trust in you is fragile, easily crushed by our bent toward indifference – the dismissal of your faithfulness as a result of our forgetfulness.

Our trust is fragile, easily broken by the slightest pause – an answer to prayer not instantly given, a request for peace not immediately felt.

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◆ Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.

Our trust is fragile, easily broken by the slightest pause – an answer to prayer not instantly given, a request for peace not immediately felt.

Our trust is fragile, easily displaced by gods of our own making – the god of self-sufficiency, chased at any cost, the god of illusion, pursued in any form.

Lord, have mercy on us, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie

TPH 574, Johnson

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Words of Life

God shows us a different way – a way of truth, honor, justice, purity, and excellence. The path is open to all of us if we reach out and accept God's forgiveness.

Thanks be to God! We will live as God's people, forgiven and freed. Amen.

♦ Gloria Patri

GTG 643 (stanza 3), NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in high-est heav-en,
to God and to the Son and Spi - rit now be giv - en:
the one e - ter - nal God, whom heaven and earth a - dore,
the God who was, and is, and shall be ev - er - more.

Time for Young Worshipers

♦ Passing of the Peace

Please refrain from shaking hands and greet each other with a word of peace or a wave of the hand.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us share a sign of the peace of Christ with one another!

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

GTG 459 (stanza 1), MUNICH

O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.

Reading from the Psalms

Psalm 106:1-6; 19-23

Anthem

(8:30 a.m.)

The Lord's My Shepherd

CRIMOND, arr. Christopher Robinson

(11:00 a.m.)

Loving Shepherd

Bob Chilcott

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
nothing can thy power withstand, none can pluck me from thy hand.

I would bless thee every day, gladly all thy will obey,
like thy blessed ones above, happy in thy precious love.

Loving Shepherd, teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
suffer not my steps to stray from the straight and narrow way.

Where thou leade'st I would go, walking in thy steps below,
till before my Father's throne I shall know as I am known.

Text: Sarum Antiphon for Dedication

Cherub, Calvin, and Chancel Choirs

Reading from the Epistles

Philippians 4:1-9

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

The Real Housewives of Philippi

Rev. T.J. Parlette

Our Response

◆ Hymn 372

O for a World

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◆ Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed (Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand

of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (*using 'debts' and 'debtors'*)

God of Hosts ...

Hear our prayer.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

(8:30 a.m.) Chorale Prelude on "Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein," BWV 641

J.S. Bach

(11:00 a.m.)

Behold, the Tabernacle of God

William H. Harris

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and the Spirit of God dwelleth within you: for the temple of God is holy, which temple you are. For the love of whom you do this day celebrate the joys of the temple with a season of festivity. Alleluia.

Text: Sarum Antiphon for Dedication

Chancel Choir

◆ **Offertory Response (Hymn 608)**

PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

Musical notation for the Offertory Response (Hymn 608) in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is written on a single treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit ever more; praise Triune God, whom we adore." The music consists of three lines of notes with lyrics underneath.

◆ **Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Creator God, you are our provider. We offer all that we have and all that we are, because we belong to you. Bless these gifts, and empower us, your church, that through the work of your Spirit we may be a refuge for the needy in their distress, a shelter from the storm, and a shade from the heat. Through Christ, our shield and our stronghold. Amen.

Sending

◆ **Hymn 847**

Our Hope, Our Life

O WALY WALY

◆ **Benediction**

Postlude

Two Variations on O WALY WALY

Janet Linker

Today's flowers are given by Larry Boutelle
in memory of Clifford and Zella Boutelle.

Stained Glass Window

What is happening around FPC ...
Week of October 15, 2023



This Week's Calendar

- † **Sunday, October 15**
Worship—8:30am in-person
Message: *The Real Housewives of Philippi*,
Rev. T.J. Parlette
Christian Formation & Fellowship—9:30am
Worship—11am in-person & livestreamed
- † **Tuesday, October 17**
Session meeting—7pm
- † **Wednesday, October 18**
Priscilla Circle—9:15am
Youth Music Program—4:45pm
Church Family Dinner—5:30pm
Oktoberfest
Youth Group—6pm
Adult Bible Study—6:30pm
A Festival of Music—7pm
- † **Thursday, October 19**
Jubilate Deo—6pm
Chancel Choir—7pm
- † **Friday, October 20**
Synod PW Coordinating Team
- † **Saturday, October 21**
Synod PW Coordinating Team
Ruth Circle—10am
- † **Sunday, October 22**
Worship—8:30am in-person
Message: *Show Me the Money*,
Rev. T.J. Parlette
Christian Formation & Fellowship—9:30am
Worship—11am in-person & livestreamed

Sanctuary Cleaning TODAY!



Today following the second service, we will be cleaning and treating the woodwork in the sanctuary, including the pews, floors and baseboard trim. We'll remove all Bibles, hymnals, handouts and cushions from the pews. After allowing the oil to soak in over several days, we will reinstall the cushions, etc. for the services on October 22. We hope you can help!

Karen Sessler, B&G Committee

A Festival of Music

Wednesday, October 18, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Vocal Recital

featuring Dr. Deborah Gover &

including Dr. Corey Silberstein & Dr. Carla Hanson



Church Family Dinner

Oktoberfest

Join the Christian Education Committee crew for the annual Oktoberfest feast on

Wentzday, October 18
5:30 p.m.



NomCom Still Hard at Work

The Nominating Committee, consisting of **Lindsay Zetzsche**, chair; **Bev Salomonsen**; **Marcia Dollerschell**; **Katie Lenn**; **Dwight Jennings**; **Lea Jennings**; and **Margie Schaaf**, is active and looking for names to add to the slate of candidates for the Class of 2026* as an Elder or Deacon or to serve on the Endowment or Nominating Committees. Please prayerfully consider your role in our church leadership!

Church



Family

Birthdays...

15 October

◆ Delaney Carroll & Sarah Edgerton

16 October

◆ Jason Grabow

18 October

◆ Shirley Edmonson, Evan Gyura & Judy Seward

19 September

◆ Bob Litwiller & Judith thistle

20 October

◆ Peter Dyck

21 October

◆ Ana Curtiss & John Kruesel

With sadness, we report the deaths this week of

Lowell Richard Meyer
and **John R. Brandrup.**

Arrangements for both services are pending.

Please keep their families in your prayers.

Anniversaries

17 October

♥ B.J. & Lauren Jones

19 October

♥ Lee Afdahl & Van Jacobsen

Forum@First_Cyber Security



Did you hear about the Band-Aid that got scammed?

He was ripped off really bad!

To help you become more aware of what to do in scamming situations, please plan to attend the next FORUM:

Ken Aalderks, Social Concerns

Monday, October 30

7:00 p.m.

Katie Helwig will be presenting at the FORUM on the top 10 scams that target adults in the US. They include scams such as Social Security, impersonations, investment schemes, tech support, Medicare/Medicaid fraud, etc. The presentation will help you identify scams and what to do to prevent being the next victim.

Your reward for seriously dedicating a chance to listen to an expert on scamming ...

A Canadian psychologist is selling a video that teaches you how to test your dog's IQ. Here's how it works: if you spend \$12.99 for the video, your dog is smarter than you.

(Scam Joke)

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Senior Pastor
John E. Stender, Director of Music and Organist
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music Emeritus
Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager
Jesse Copley, Custodian
Than Boutelle, Custodian/Sunday Host

Cindy Kunzman, Office Manager
Sarah A. Stender, Music Associate
Janine M. Yanisch, First Players bands
Paul Herr, Security
Margie Schaaf, Sunday Host

Sunday worship in-person and livestreamed on YouTube at 10am;
Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9am – 4pm

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